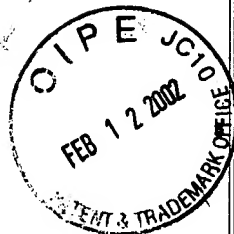


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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGE

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, it is respectfully requested that Fig. 11 in the above-captioned application be amended by adding a "Prior Art" designation to the drawing as required by the Examiner in the Office Action dated August 15, 2001. The changes are indicated in red on the attached copy of the originally filed drawing.

Upon approval of the proposed changes, applicant respectfully requests that the submission of revised drawings be deferred until after a notice of allowance has issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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